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For: Back-Flow Valve and Trigger For Cleaning Machine

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PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a))

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- A response in connection with the matter for which this extension is requested is 2. herewith. The Response is the filing of a Response to Office Action. 3.
- Applicant is a small entity. A verified statement was already filed 4.
- 5. Calculation of extension fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1)-(5)):

Extension:

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one month

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If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

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5. Extended period for response

Based on the extension requested in this petition (and that for which a previous petition has been filed, if any), the extended period for response will expire on September 21, 2003.

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